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TITLE: METHOD AND CIRCUIT FOR CONTACTLESS IGNITION OF A
WELDING ARC WITH HIGH FREQUENCY IGNITION PULSE
PACKETS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RCE

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Dear Commissioner:

In advance of continued examination and in response to the
Final Office Action dated April 20, 2009, please amend the above-
identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 5 of this paper.